

**CITY OF NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ECONOMIC  
PROSPERITY COMMITTEE – 21 FEBRUARY 2014**

<b>Subject:</b>	Frequency of City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee meetings		
<b>Presenting authority / representative:</b>	Nottingham City Council, Ian Curryer, Chief Executive		
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<b>Key Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>Subject to call-in</b>
<b>Value of decision: £0</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Authorities affected: All</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Capital		
<b>Date of consultation with relevant authorities: N/A</b>			
<b>Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/constituent authorities):</b>			
<p>The nine Nottinghamshire Local Government Authorities, having agreed to the establishment of a new Joint Committee - the City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee (the Economic Prosperity Committee or EPC) – must decide how frequently they would like to meet under Economic Prosperity Committee arrangements and whether to continue with existing joint working arrangements such as the meeting of the Nottinghamshire Leaders' Group.</p>			
<b>Exempt information:</b>			
None.			
<b>Recommendation(s):</b>			
<b>1</b> The Economic Prosperity Committee officer working group proposes that the Economic Prosperity Committee meet no less than eight times a year.			
<b>2</b> Each meeting of the Economic Prosperity Committee should be preceded by a 30 minute pre-meet which will allow Leaders to be briefed on progress to date. The pre-meet will be followed by the main agenda and the business at hand under Joint Committee arrangements.			
<b>3</b> Where pre-meets are not required, this time could be used to discuss matters that were previously discussed under Nottinghamshire Leaders' Group arrangements such as shared services.			
<b>4</b> To agree the dates listed in the report.			

**1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Regularity of Economic Prosperity Committee meetings**

The Economic Prosperity Committee's work programme sets out an ambitious set of actions to help grow the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire economy. Eight meetings a year would allow sufficient time for Leaders to fully and regularly consider developments, and base their decisions upon these developments. Meeting eight times a year would allow Economic Prosperity Committee members to maintain a better overview of the Economic Prosperity Committee work programme.

## **Pre-meetings**

The roles of LEPs and Joint Committees are evolving. To make fully informed decisions it is important that all Members of the committee are abreast of the latest developments. A short pre-meet will allow time for necessary updates where these are required.

## **Nottinghamshire Leaders' Meetings**

The Nottinghamshire Leaders have previously agreed that the Economic Prosperity Committee would replace Notts Leaders' meetings. Some matters of mutual interest do not require Joint Committee arrangements. These matters - for example shared services – could be progressed under time set aside for pre-meetings, where Members agree that this is beneficial.

## **2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)**

The dates set aside for meetings of the Economic Prosperity Committee are listed below:

<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
21 February	20 February
21 March	20 March
23 May	
20 June	
25 July	
19 September	
21 November	
19 December	

There are no further meetings of the Notts Leaders' group scheduled.

## **3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS**

None.

## **4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)**

None.

## **5 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS)**

None.

## **6 SOCIAL VALUE CONSIDERATIONS**

None.

## **7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)**

Has the equality impact been assessed?

- (a) not needed (report does not contain proposals for new or changing policies, services or functions, financial decisions or decisions about implementation of policies development outside the Council)
- (b) No
- (c) Yes – Equality Impact Assessment attached

Due regard should be given to the equality implications identified in any attached EIA.

**8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN WRITING THIS REPORT (NOT INCLUDING PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS OR CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION)**

None.

**9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN THIS REPORT**

None.

**10 OTHER COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE PROVIDED INPUT**

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